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PERSONALIZED TOY AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING

AND DELIVERING THE SAME

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination on the merits, applicants respectfully request that the aboveidentified patent application be amended as follows:

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 4 at page 1 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--This application is a continuation of and claims priority to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/183,323 filed October 30, 1998 and issued on March 27, 2001 as U.S. Patent No. 6,206,750, of Jill E. Barad, Jeanette Corcuera, Greg Vineyard, Darian Pasterski, Palos Verdes, Joe Scully, John Watson, Roy Kaneshiro, Brian Channell, Jean Chu, Nancie Martin, Simon Cheung Shu Keun, and Li Tak Chee for a PERSONALIZED TOY AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING AND DELIVERING THE SAME, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference.--

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In the claims:

Please add new claims 4-17 as follows:

- 4. (NEW) A packaged toy comprising:
- a personalized toy; and
- a package enclosing the personalized toy, wherein the package has a flap covering the personalized toy and customer-defined identifying material removably attached to the flap wherein at least a portion of the identifying material is visible from the exterior of the package.
- 5. (NEW) The packaged toy of claim 4, wherein the identifying material includes a customer-defined toy name.
- 6. (NEW) The packaged toy of claim 4, wherein the identifying material includes a customer-defined intended recipient.
- 7. (NEW) The packaged toy of claim 4, wherein the flap includes an aperture adapted to expose the personalized toy when the identifying material is removed.
- 8. (NEW) The packaged toy of claim 4, wherein the flap is adapted to be opened to reveal the personalized toy.

- 9. (NEW) The packaged toy of claim 4, further comprising a toy-support card to display the personalized toy within the package.
- 10. (NEW) A package for displaying a personalized toy, the package comprising:
- a flap having an inside and an outside, where the inside of the flap faces the personalized toy;

an aperture in the flap; and

customer-defined identifying material supported on the inside of the flap.

- 11. (NEW) The package of claim 10, wherein the customer-defined identifying material has a front side and a back side, wherein the front side of the material is visible through the aperture on the outside of the flap and the back side is visible on the inside of the flap.
- 12. (NEW) The package of claim 10, wherein the customer-defined identifying material includes a customer-defined toy name.
- 13. (NEW) The package of claim 10, wherein the customer-defined identifying material includes a customer-defined intended recipient.
- 14. (NEW) The package of claim 10, wherein the identifying material includes a story related to the personalized toy.
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- 15. (NEW) The package of claim 10, wherein the inside of the flap includes tabs configured to support the identifying material on the inside of the flap.
- 16. (NEW) The package of claim 10, wherein the identifying material is removable.
- 17. (NEW) The package of claim 16, wherein the personalized toy is visible through the aperture when the identifying material is removed.

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REMARKS

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current preliminary amendment. The attached page is captioned "<u>Version</u> with markings to show changes made."

Applicant requests that the foregoing amendments be entered prior to a substantive examination of the application. No new matter has been added.

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

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In the claims:

Claims 4-17 are new.

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